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Dear Sir:

## AMENDMENT

Please cancel claims 13-1/2, and replace claims 1, 7 and 12 with the following.

1. A magnetic memory device comprising:

a data layer having a magnetization that can be oriented in first and second directions; and

an unpinned synthetic ferrimagnet reference layer.

7. A magnetic memory device comprising:

a data layer having a magnetization that can be oriented in first and second directions:

a synthetic ferrimagnet reference layer, the data and reference layers having different coercivities;

a first conductor on the reference layer;

an electrical insulator on the first conductor; and

a second conductor on the insulator.

12. The device of claim 1, further comprising a ferromagnetic cladding for the reference layer.